REMARKS

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 25-36 have been cancelled.

Claims 24, 37, and 38 have been amended.

No claims have been added or withdrawn.

Claims 1-24 and 37-38 are currently pending in the application.

ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

The Office Action includes a restriction requirement to the following two groups of claims:

Species I: Claims 1-24, 37, 38, related to a wireless communications apparatus having two antenna arrangements.

Species II: Claims 25-36, related to a directional antenna apparatus.

The **Applicant elects** without traverse to have the claims of **Species I** examined, namely Claims 1-24 and 37-38.

The Claims to Species II having therefore been withdrawn from examination as a result of this election are cancelled in the amendment above, namely Claims 25-36.

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 24, 37, and 38 have been amended to correct typographical errors. No new matter is included.

Specifically, Claim 24 is amended to refer to "the spatial area" instead of "a spatial area" on line 10, because "a spatial area" is already introduced in the claim on line 4.

Claim 37 is amended to refer to a "the wireless communications system" instead of "the wireless communications apparatus" on lines 4 and 8, thereby making these references consistent with the preamble of the claim on line 1 that refers to a "wireless communications system."

Claim 38 is amended to depend from Claim 37 instead of Claim 39, since there is no Claim 39 in this application and because Claim 38 further limits Claim 37, the immediately preceding independent claim.

CONCLUSION

Claims 25-36 have been withdrawn from examination as the result of the restriction requirement and thus have been cancelled herein, but the Applicant retains the right to present Claims 25-36 in a divisional application.

The Applicant believes that all issues raised in the Office Action have been addressed and that allowance of the pending claims is appropriate. After entry of the amendments, further examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

If any applicable fee is missing or insufficient, throughout the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to any applicable fees and to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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